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Levin, Stabenow Announce \$34,000 for Michigan Native American Tribal Libraries

WASHINGTON - Senators Carl Levin, D-MI, and Debbie Stabenow, D-MI, announced today that the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) has awarded professional assistance and basic grants to seven Native American tribes in Michigan. These grants will assist the tribes in supporting basic library operations in their communities.

"Libraries play an important role in our effort to provide better educational opportunities to all Americans," said Levin. "These grants will provide much needed funding to libraries in Michigan's Native American communities and will help them better meet the needs of their residents."

"Good libraries offer important learning opportunities, bolster a sense of community and provide local residents with services they might otherwise have to go without. I am pleased to announce that, with this funding, seven libraries in Native American communities throughout Michigan will be able to provide their residents with some of the many wonderful opportunities libraries have to offer," said Stabenow.

The tribes receiving grants include the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Hannahville Indian Community, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

The Institute of Museum and Library Services offers non-competitive basic grants to Native American libraries to support core library services and ensure a minimum level of library services. Professional assistance grants that are issued by the IMLS are used to support professional assessments of library services that provide advice for improvement of library services including staffing, financial management, types and levels of service, and collections development and management.

The following lists the type of grant and the amount each Michigan Native American tribe will receive from the IMLS:

Bay Mills Indian Community	\$2,000 for professional assistance grant
Bay Mills Indian Community	\$4,000 for basic grant
Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians	\$4,000 for basic grant
Hannahville Indian Community	\$4,000 for basic grant
Keewenaw Bay Indian Community	\$4,000 for basic grant
Keewenaw Bay Indian Community	\$2,000 for professional assistance grant
Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians	\$4,000 for basic grant
Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan	\$4,000 for basic grant
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians	\$4,000 for basic grant
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians	\$2,000 for professional assistance grant